

Here, There, & Everywhere

SPEAKING VOLUMES - Josephine Community Libraries Inc. (JCLI) now has 501(c)(3) status as a nonprofit organization, and can begin fund-raising and a membership drive. The next step toward transferring the facilities and collection from Jo County to JCLI is the inventory. Those who would like to help with the inventory can contact project coordinator Kris Gleisner at kpbiz@charter.net. Further updates will be available Wednesday, May 7 during a meeting of I.V. Friends of the Library at 4:30 p.m. in the I.V. Senior Center library on E. River Street.

RIDIN' REQUEST - Volunteer workers are sought for a workday Saturday, May 10 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at The Glass Rail Outfit to help with site preparation for a therapeutic riding program at 27742 Redwood Hwy. Snacks and lunch will be provided. Phone 592-4658 for directions or more info.

BLAZING NEWS - Information about the reasoning for a levy that would result in 24/7 staffed responses for fire & rescue and medical emergencies will be among features during a community open house at Station 1 in Cave Junction. The event on Saturday, May 10 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. will demonstrate what it would be like to have a full, paid staff on 24-hour duty. The Illinois Valley Fire District (IVFD) gathering for children and adults will include homemade refreshments, continuous video of emergency responses, and a presentation by Chief Harry Rich. Staff and equipment will be available, depending on alarms. The open house is part of efforts to inform the valley about Measure 17.20 in the May 20 election, the IVFD request for a local option levy. For more information phone Linda Butler at 592-6107.

WOW! TIMES TWO - Illinois Valley Safe House Alliance will present a free "Dancercise" program on Tuesday, May 13 beginning at 6 p.m. as part of its WOW! (Women Of Worth) program for women and children. Snacks and beverages will be served. Child-care and transportation assistance are available. Phone 592-2515 to arrange and reserve a spot for the 13th. On Thursday, May 15 the WOW! program will be "Can It End Here?" about how to help our children. It will begin at 3 p.m. Phone 592-2515 for child-care and transportation aid.

POLICE MEMORIAL - A Police Memorial Week observance will be held Tuesday, May 13 on the front lawn of the Josephine County Courthouse in GP. The ceremony will include raising the U.S. flag to half-staff and a 21-gun salute in honor of six officers from Josephine County who have died in the line of duty. Participating in the ceremony will be law enforcement officers from Josephine County Sheriff's Office, Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety, Oregon State Police, U.S. Forest Service, and Bureau of Land Management/Oregon. Police Memorial Week is to be observed from Sunday through Saturday, May 11 through 17.

MOUNTAINTOP MIXER - Oregon Caves Chateau will host a mixer for the Illinois Valley and Grants Pass chambers of commerce on Friday, May 16 from 5 to 7 p.m. There will be refreshments, with wine provided by Bridgeview Vineyards Winery, and Foris Vineyards. Dinner will be available from 6 to 8:30 p.m.; lodging will be available at a 20 percent discount. Phone 592-3400 for reservations.

HEALTH WEALTH - "Your Oregon, Your Health" is the theme for a free public input and discussion gathering Thursday, May 15 from 7 to 9 p.m. in Medford. The location is to be Jackson County Library Services at 205 S. Central Ave. Interpreters and child-care will be available. Oregon leaders, it is said, are developing a proposal for quality, affordable health care for Oregonians. Input is sought to help shape the plan. Views also can be shared at talkhealthreform.org. The session is sponsored by the Oregon Health Fund Board.

NOTEPAD - WOW! (Women of Worth) will present a program on knitting and crocheting Wednesday, May 7 at 4 p.m. in the I.V. Safe House Alliance site in CJ. Child-care and transportation assistance are available. Phone 592-2515 ... **Treehouse Florist & Gifts** in Downtown CJ is a member of I.V. Chamber of Commerce. Its name inadvertently was omitted from a list given I.V. News ... **Illinois Valley Grange** raised a total of \$473 for the I.V. Unit of the Boys & Girls Club with its fund-raiser on April 25 ... **A Lake Selmac** Resort mixer for Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce set for Friday, May 2, was postponed due to weather concerns. A new date will be announced ... **Scout-O-Rama** will be held Saturday, May 10 at Riverside Park in GP from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The theme is "It's All About the Fun in Scouting" ... **A yard sale** to raise funds for sending History Day winners from Lorna Byrne Middle School to national competition in Washington, D.C. is set for Saturday, May 17. It's tentatively planned for the Sterling Savings Bank parking lot in CJ ... **Dessert First!** Now has some of its offerings at Taylor's Country Store ... **Bumper stickers:** *Are you this close to God? *My reality check bounced. *Shhh. I'm listening to a book. *If you can read this, thank a teacher. If you can read it in English, thank a soldier. *Got up and dressed myself. What more do you want?

LAST WORDS - *A man's country is not a certain area of land, of mountains, rivers, and woods, but it is a principle, and patriotism is loyalty to that principle. (George William Curtis)

*What do we mean by patriotism in the context of our times? I venture to suggest that what we mean is a sense of national responsibility ... a patriotism which is not short, frenzied outbursts of emotion, but the tranquil and steady dedication of a lifetime. (Adlai Stevenson)

Weather Watch

Cave Junction

Wednesday, May 7
Sunny, some clouds
High--65 Low--33



Thursday, May 8
Sunshine
High--66 Low--36



Friday, May 9
Sunny and breezy
High--67 Low--37



Saturday, May 10
Sunshine and warmer
High--73 Low--42



Sunday, May 11
Sunny, clouds around
High--68 Low--38



Monday, May 12
Cloudy, rain chance
High--63 Low--35



Tuesday, May 13
Sunny, warmer
High--72 Low--40



Following are the high-and-low temperatures, and rainfall, recorded in O'Brien by Cheryl & Harry Johnson:

*Fri., April 25	70 35 .00
*Sat., April 26	82 37 .00
*Sun., April 27	75 43 .00
*Mon., April 28	67 42 .00
*Tue., April 29	56 37 .61
*Wed., April 30	60 32 .00
*Thu., May 1	70 33 .00

Following are the high-and-low temperatures, and rainfall, recorded in Cave Junction at Illinois River Farm:

*Fri., April 25	68 33 .00
*Sat., April 26	79 34 .02
*Sun., April 27	75 38 .00
*Mon., April 28	70 38 .00
*Tue., April 29	51 38 .35
*Wed., April 30	57 31 .00
*Thu., May 1	66 30 .00



A memorial site, to honor those Illinois Valley High School students and staff who have died in the recent past, is being prepared outside the counseling office. The project is under way by Amy Fogg and her landscaping class students. A flowering cherry tree is already part of

the area. Donations for paving bricks, which will have names inscribed, can be taken to the IVHS office or phone 592-2116. Fogg said that the community remembrance area will include pathways and a peaceful area for reflection. (Photo by *Illinois Valley News*)

FAC seeks comments about Butcher Knife Slate project

Alternatives are being developed by the U.S. Forest Service for the Butcher Knife Slate Planning Area comprising approximately 4,000 acres in the vicinity of Hay's Hill to the north of Illinois Valley.

The area begins along U.S. Hwy. 199 (Redwood Hwy.) at the top of Hay's Hill. The area lies on the west side of the highway.

Proposed activities include commercial and non-

commercial thinning, fuels reduction, habitat improvement, and under-burning, according to Cave Junction-based Forestry Action Committee (FAC). It is asking for input from those who harvest mushrooms and other nontimber forest products as to possible concerns and opinions.

FAC said that comments can be given by phoning 592-4098; sending mail to P.O. Box 1872 in Cave Junction; or forestryaction@hughes.net.

Clubs & Organizations

Illinois River Valley Arts Council (IRVAC)

Anyone can attend the annual meeting on Wednesday, May 14 beginning at 6:15 p.m. in the Josephine County Bldg. in Downtown Cave Junction.

A brief social time will be followed by annual reports and elections.

Promptly at 7:30 p.m. IRVAC will sponsor a free Chautauqua lecture with scholar Gail Wells speaking about *The Romantic Roots of Environmentalism*.

Light refreshments will be

available.

OSU Extension

Raising Alpacas on Small Acreages is the title of a workshop that will be given Thursday, May 8 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the OSU Extension office in Grants Pass.

Sponsored by Extension, the program will be presented by Christine Perala Gardiner, of Suri Futures Inc., of Cave Junction.

Phone 476-6613 to reserve a seat, or for more information.

Siskiyou Project

Will our fragile wild flowers survive climate change? This is just one of the many subjects that will be explored when hikers join Oregon Caves naturalist John Roth for a road and hiking tour of the Illinois River Canyon west of Selma on Saturday, May 10.

Learn how plants have survived for millennia in the vast serpentine rock refuge of the Siskiyou Wild Rivers Region. This easy 3-mile hike is kid-friendly, and has an elevation drop of 600 feet.

Participants should meet at 10 a.m. on the Ray's Food Place parking lot in Selma, and bring lunch and water.

Community Media & Education Center

Is Fear Trumping Fact? is a Big Wildlife audio-visual presentation "that separates fact from fiction about top predators, exposes 'management' policies based on hysteria, showcases the ecological importance of these species, and provides tips for living among them."

It will be given at 7 p.m. Friday, May 23 at 140-C Redwood Hwy. in Downtown Cave Junction.

Elementary Schools Lunch Menu Sponsored by HOMETOWNE INTERIORS 592-2413

THURSDAY, MAY 8

Pretzel with cheese, ham & cheese sandwich, popcorn chicken, Italian griller, chicken salad wrap, garden or chef salad.

FRIDAY, MAY 9

Teriyaki chicken with rice, turkey & cheese sandwich, hamburger, sausage or veggie pizza, P.B. & banana wrap, garden or Cobb salad.

MONDAY, MAY 12

Hot diggity dog, super sub sandwich, hamburger, pepperoni or veggie pizza, clever club, garden salad.

TUESDAY, MAY 13

Two taco Tuesday, turkey & cheese sandwich, chicken nuggets, grilled cheese sandwich, crispy chicken wrap, garden or chef salad.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

Spaghetti with meat sauce, tuna torpedo sandwich, cheesy pizza, it's Italian wrap, popcorn chicken salad.

Need someone to watch your Precious One?



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Hours: 7:30am-5:30pm M-F
For more info contact Cindy
541-592-4923
helpinghandsdaycare@gmail.com

Excellence by state agencies bill objective

Senate Bill 1099, legislation establishing the Committee on Performance Excellence, has been signed by Gov. Kulongoski.

The committee will work with the Legislature and state government agencies to implement best practice policies across state government.

"This legislation will bring a new level of partnership between the Legislature and state agencies to ensure that government is operating with the best policies and procedures, further strengthening accountability to the citizens," said Kulongoski.

Will the person who took my peacocks please return them?

**Marjorie Banks
Westside Road**



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If you are interested in participating, please contact Judy at (541) 291-8863 or email: thewomenstudy@yahoo.com for more information and a screening.

The course is free to those who qualify.

3rd Anniversary CELEBRATION!

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